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DISCLOSURE OF PRIOR ART

Sir:

A following prior art has been brought to the Applicants knowledge in Germany.

German Patent DE 29 52 559 describes a connector on a circuit board. A connector however does not use fork-type contacts and is not meant for connection with electrical wires. It is Applicants position that this reference does not render the present invention obvious or anticipated.

German Reference DT 27 08 175 A1 describes an electrical connector for a circuit board. The electrical connector does not have fork-type contacts on the contact means, connecting elements made of flat material and the housing is not fastened to the circuit board as described in the present invention. This reference also does not render the present invention obvious or anticipated.

German Reference DT 24 52 502 describes an electrical connector which does not have two separate connector means and this connector transmits the force of connection and disconnection directly to the electrical connection. This reference best describes the type of connection the type of connector which the present invention replaces and overcomes the problems associated with connectors of this type. This reference does not render the present invention obvious or anticipated.

German Reference DE 37 30 662 has been described in the specification.

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